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Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

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Action title	Amendment
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Summary

Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

Enter statement here

Acting on the recommendation of its Stewards, the Virginia Racing Commission specified the penalty for "kicking" a Standardbred during live harness racing at a licensed racetrack. Instead of a nine-day suspension, the participant may be fined \$200, serve a suspension or both for a first offense. For a subsequent violation, the participant will serve a suspension. The Commission acted upon the amendment at its October 8, 2003 meeting.

Family impact

Assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability.

Enter statement here The amendment will have no impact on the institution of the family and family stability.